Strike by advocates

†2104. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the advocates went on strike on the 11th February, 2005 to oppose Government's decision to set up courts in every district of NCR of Delhi;

(b) if not, the reasons for the strike by the advocates; and

(c) the demands made by the advocates and the action taken to prevent the strike?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI K. VENKATAPATHY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The advocates went on a day's strike on 11.02.2005. However, this strike was not to oppose any particular Government decision to set up courts in every district of NCR of Delhi but the strike was launched by advocates as they thought that shifting 12 courts alongwith the staff to Rohini Courts was going to take place.

(c) The demand of the advocates was that there was no infrastructure for the functioning of the courts, such as chambers, parking space, place for stamp vendors and private typists, etc. Government of NCT of Delhi has informed that there is provision for 60 court rooms and space for vendors and typists etc. They have also stated that DDA has allotted land adjacent to the Rohini Courts Complex for setting up of Lawyers Chambers, that possession of the land has been handed over to the PWD and that they have taken steps to ensure necessary construction on urgent basis.

Transfer policy for judges

†2105. SHRI BALAVANT *ALIAS* BAL APTE:
SHRI RUDRA NARAYAN PANY:

Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are contemplating to formulate a new transfer policy for the judges;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice has advocated the role of Government in appointment and transfer of judges;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.